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**Re: Tempo Telecom, LLC - Application for Designation as an Eligible
Telecommunications Carrier
Docket No. 2013-239-C**

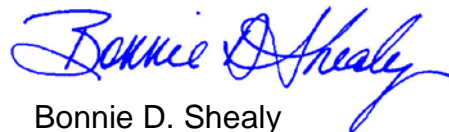
Dear Ms. Boyd:

Enclosed for filing please find the Amendment to Application of Tempo Telecom, LLC ("Tempo Telecom") for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier in South Carolina. We are providing a copy of the Amendment to Application to the Office of Regulatory Staff by copy of this letter.

If you have any questions, please have someone on your staff contact me.

Very truly yours,

ROBINSON, MCFADDEN & MOORE, P.C.


Bonnie D. Shealy

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Enclosures

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**BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NO. 2013-239-C**

IN RE:)	
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APPLICATION OF TEMPO TELECOM,)	Amendment to Application for
LLC FOR DESIGNATION AS AN)	Designation as an Eligible
ELIGIBLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS)	Telecommunications Carrier
CARRIER IN THE STATE OF SOUTH)	
CAROLINA)	
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Tempo Telecom, LLC (“Tempo” or the “Company”) respectfully submits this amendment to the Application of Tempo for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (“ETC”) (“Application”) filed with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (“Commission”) on June 12, 2013. Tempo seeks to revise that portion of the application which describes the Company’s proposed Lifeline Offering for South Carolina. Specifically, Tempo has determined that the available “additional minute” offerings should be revised to allow its Lifeline customers to choose lesser amounts of “additional minutes” at lower costs as described below and to include data plans within two options.¹ Tempo submits the following revised Section II, Universal Service Offering, B. Proposed Lifeline Offering:

B. Proposed Lifeline Offering

Tempo will resell the wireless services of Sprint. Tempo’s Lifeline customers will not have to pay for their mobile devices and will receive a preset amount of free minutes on a monthly basis. Each eligible wireless customer signing up for a Lifeline plan will receive a 911

¹ Changes from the initial application in this section are italicized.

compliant handset at no cost to the subscriber. There are several handset options with at least one free choice and the possibility of additional choices.² Wireless handsets will be delivered at no charge to qualifying customers, service will be activated, and the minutes will be added upon certification of the customer for Lifeline.

Tempo intends to provide the following Lifeline and Non-Lifeline plans in South Carolina throughout the coverage area of its underlying provider, Sprint:

250 Minute Voice Only Plan	Retail Price
Lifeline	Free
250 Minute Talk/Text/Data Plan	
Lifeline	Free
Non-Lifeline	\$12.75
150 Minute Talk/Text/Data Plan	
Lifeline	Free

The terms and conditions for Tempo's Lifeline and non-Lifeline services will be posted at www.mytempo.com.

Lifeline and non-Lifeline customers will have the option to purchase additional minutes anytime during the month that are available for 30 days from purchase *and will carry over into the next month*, and an option for international calling with per-minute pricing based on the country to be called which will be provided to the consumer when opting for this capability (*international calling will be available in the future*). Additional minutes will be available at the following prices:

² Tempo is still considering which handsets will be offered, but all handsets will be compliant with all applicable FCC requirements. Handsets will be offered for free in conjunction with the prepaid wireless Lifeline product. Based upon market availability and handset prices, the consumer may have a choice of handsets. Tempo is continuing to evaluate the possibility of offering premium handsets at an additional cost, but a free handset will always be offered to every prepaid wireless Lifeline subscriber.

<u>Additional minutes</u>	
Minutes	Price
60	\$5.95
100	\$9.95
200	\$14.95

Available minutes are nationwide, and there are no additional charges for toll calling. These additional minutes plans are available for purchase at Tempo's third-party dealer retail locations, via customer service, and on its website. *The Company will not deduct calls to 911 (emergency service) or 611 (customer service) from usage.*

Lifeline customers who reside in South Carolina have the option of choosing the 250 Minute Voice Only Plan, the 250 Minute Talk/Text/Data Plan or the 150 Minute Talk/Text/Data Plan. Customers choosing the 250 Minute Voice Only Plan will be provided with 250 minutes of voice services without rollover. This plan does not include text messaging *or data*, but customers can purchase separate packages for text messaging *and data depending on the wireless handset*. The 250 Minute Talk/Text/Data Plan provides a *monthly* allotment of 250 units of anytime talk, text messaging, *and data usage*, with 3 text messages counting as 1 voice minute *and 1 megabyte (MB) of data usage counting as 2 voice minutes*. The 150 Minute Talk/Text Plan provides a *monthly allotment of 150 nationwide minutes of talk, texting, or data usage, with 3 text messages counting as 1 voice minute and 1 megabyte (MB) of data usage counting as 2 voice minutes* with the ability to rollover unused minutes to the next month.

The Lifeline plans will also include voicemail and custom calling features such as call waiting, call forwarding, and caller ID, and the option to add *upgraded* wireless data plans for an additional cost (also dependent on handset selected by customer).

Tempo's planned prepaid wireless Lifeline service offering is consistent with the Communications Act's requirement that consumers have access to quality services at "just,

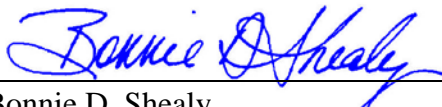
reasonable, and affordable rates,”³ and is consistent with the FCC’s findings that Lifeline consumers should have the option to purchase bundled packages, additional calling features, and optional voice services.⁴

Tempo respectfully requests that the Commission grant its Application as amended herein and designate Tempo Telecom, LLC as a wireless ETC in South Carolina.

Dated this 26th day of July, 2013.

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³ 47 U.S.C. § 254(b)(1).

⁴ *Lifeline Reform Order* ¶ 317.

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This is to certify that I, Toni C. Hawkins, a Paralegal with the law firm of Robinson, McFadden & Moore, P.C., have this day caused to be served upon the person(s) named below the **Amendment to Application for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier** in the foregoing matter by placing a copy of same in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, in an envelope addressed as follows:

Dated at Columbia, South Carolina this 26th day of July, 2013.

Jon C. Hawkins

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